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SUBJECT: STARCH SIRUP IN U.S. CANNED FRUITS

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1. IN RESPONSE TO OUR REPRESENTATIONS REPORTED REFTEL, CONCERNING POSSIBLE BAN ON STARCH SIRUP USED BY U.S. FRUIT CANNERS, AUSTRIAN MINISTRY HEALTH INFORMED US THAT AUSTRIAN CODEX COMMISSION UNABLE FORM OPINION BECAUSE U.S. CANNERS USE DIFFERENT SIRUPS WITH VARYING CONTENTS OF OLIGO-AND POLY-SACCHARIDES. MINISTRY REQUESTED AGATT FOR AUTHENTIC INFORMATION ON TYPES OF SIRUPS U.S. CANNERS USE AND UNDER WHAT DESIGNATIONS, AND FOR DEFINING EXACT CHEMICAL COMPOSITION OF SIRUPS. ON RECEIPT SUCH INFORMATION AUSTRIAN CODEX COMMISSION WILL RE-EXAMINE MATTER.

2. LOCAL TRADE REPORTS NO IMPEDIMENTS TO IMPORTS OF U.S. STARCH-CONTAINING FRUIT PRESERVES AT PRESENT BUT FEARS THAT WITH PROMULGATION ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 1975 OF FOOD-LAW-BASED ORDINANCE SPECIFYING PERMISSIBLE FOOD ADDITIVES, HEALTH AUTHORITIES MAY DENY ACCESS TO U.S. CANNED FRUITS SWEETENED WITH STARCH SIRUP.

3. SUGGEST MATTER BE HANDLED WITH ALL POSSIBLE SPEED. BUCHANAN

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